

## MILLIONAIRE BEEF BARRONS, BEING "DIFFERENT," OMIT FORMALITY OF ATTENDING OWN TRIAL

There certainly was a winderful sight at the trial of the ten millionaire packers in Judge Carpenter's court today.

When an ordinary man is tried on a criminal charge, he generally is expected to attend the trial.

If he doesn't expect it, a court bailiff explains the situation to him.

Not so with the millionaire packers. They're "different!"

Today, seven of the indicted packers omitted to come to their own trial.

Their attorneys explained that they were "busy at the yards."

The announcement caused much speculation, especially in view of the fact that one of the direct charges of the government against the beef trust barons, is that they have formed a habit of meeting every Thursday and "fixing" prices.

This is Thursday.

Of course, it is impossible that the men now on trial under a criminal charge, facing jail sentences, should be happily pursuing the very things for which they are being tried—in absentia, as it were.

Still, it's peculiar.

The three packers who contrived to drag themselves into court, were:

Louis H. Heyman, Edward Tilden and Arthur Meeker.

Those who were "busy at the yards" were:

J. Ogden Armour, he of the

correct disposition and the gloomy look, who thinks the very idea of his being tried is an outrage.

Louis F. Swift, Edward F. Swift and Charles H. Swift. (All the little Swifts, as you might say.)

Edward Morris, Thomas J. O'Connors and Francis A. Fowler.

Let us hope they have a good time at the "yards."

There wasn't any other special



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sensation at the trial today, except that Thomas E. Brown, 221 North Charles street, one of the jurors tentatively accepted by the government, collapsed from heart disease just before the non recess.

Doctors were summoned for Brown, and he probably will be excused.